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## From the President

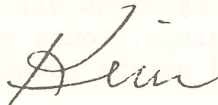
by Kimberly Douglas

Enclosed in this newsletter is the new membership brochure for IAMSILIC. It should clarify any ambiguities regarding the conditions of membership. Please take note of the form at the bottom which should be used by all when paying their 1981-82 membership fee.

As the pre-conference issue this newsletter includes specific information about the program for the 1981 meeting hosted by the Scripps Institution of Oceanography in La Jolla, CA. Our conferences have been increasingly successful and this year will be no exception. The program emphasizes data processing technology as it applies to information service. Librarians along with other information professionals must not only look at but begin to seriously integrate such technology into their operations. This program combined with the informal atmosphere which is so conducive to extensive and informative discussion should certainly justify your attendance. Moreover, do not overlook the considerable benefit of gaining first-hand knowledge of the information resources at Scripps.

Having already purchased my ticket, I found that it is possible to travel from the Maine coast to southern California and back for under \$400.

Looking forward to seeing you all,



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NOTES FROM A PROGRAMME CONVENOR CAUGHT IN YET ANOTHER CANADIAN POSTAL STRIKE

by Betty Sutherland

By now you have probably received your pre-registration packet for the November conference. (See note following article. -Eds.) The wide range of topics for this year's programme were chosen, for the most part, from suggestions made by members who attended last year's conference in Halifax and are built around the general theme of "Accessing Marine Science Information."

The conference has been expanded to three full days (11-13 November) to allow for a "first" in IAMSILIC programming: two concurrent day-long workshops, to be held on Friday, 13 November. Back for another session, by popular demand, will be BIOSIS. Many participants last year noted that ninety minutes was simply not long enough, and so Mr. Arthur Elias, Director for Professional Services, BIOSIS, will be presenting a five-hour training session on how to search the BIOSIS database effectively and efficiently for marine science information. The concurrent session is aimed at those who want something completely different. Many IAMSILIC members hold positions which involve them in potentially stressful selection interviews either as interviewer or interviewee. We have therefore invited Ms. Charlene Smith to lead a five-hour workshop on how to make such interviews more effective and less stressful. Ms. Smith, who has led similar workshops for other library associations, is a professional psychologist who also has eight years experience as a practising professional librarian.

The opening session on Wednesday, 11 November, will deal with the why, how, and what of non-bibliographic databases. Barbara Quint, librarian at Rand Corporation and convenor of the Southern California Online Users Group, will explain why we as librarians should be involved with non-bibliographic databases and describe some of the joys and sorrows of using them. Edward Riley, Director of NODC, and Eric Marshall, of the Canadian Dept. of Fisheries and Oceans, will then discuss specific databases of interest to marine scientists and how we can access them.

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You still have time!

The great IAMSLIC logo competition continues until the deadline of 1 October! Please don't forget, neglect, slough off, laze out of, laugh off, or otherwise fail to send your ideas and designs to Kimberly Douglas at the Bigelow Laboratory for Ocean Sciences/Maine Dept. of Marine Resources, West Boothbay Harbor, ME 04575.



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Most of the institutions with which IAMSLIC libraries are associated have an in-house automation facility, whether it be a large main-frame computer, a mini-computer, or a word processor. Wednesday afternoon's session will investigate uses being made of these facilities by IAMSLIC libraries. Five members will describe what their libraries are doing, and discuss the advantages and problems associated with their use. Other conference participants will be invited to share their experiences.

As an added bonus for Wednesday, Anna Oxley of the Scotia/Fundy Regional Library, Canada Dept. of Fisheries and Oceans, is preparing a poster session illustrating her special collection of rare, old, and beautiful books on fish and fishing. I've had a sneak preview of her slides, and they are well worth seeing.

Thursday morning will feature two shorter sessions. The first, a panel on library/user communications, will deal with the challenge of finding out what our users really want and need. How do we communicate with them? Do methods vary significantly from library to library? Do they work? The second session will address the problem of accessing that potentially valuable but often elusive and/or expensive information contained in theses and dissertations. Dr. S. Tewari of University Microfilms International will discuss a new SDI-type service being offered by his company, and Kimberly Douglas will deal with alternative methods of obtaining theses for our members. (Note: see pages five and six. -Eds.)

Interspersed among these sessions will be two short business meetings (Wednesday afternoon and Friday morning), tours of Scripps (Thursday afternoon), and various social activities planned by the Local Arrangements Committee at the Scripps library.

Do hope I'll see you all in November in sunny La Jolla!

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NOTE: Arrangements for conference facilities and hotel accommodations have been made at the La Jolla Village Inn in La Jolla, CA. A complete program, including registration form and hotel reservation information goes out to all IAMSLIC members in mid-August. For additional programs or further information concerning local arrangements, contact: Susan Starr, Public Services, SIO Library, C-075C, La Jolla, CA 92093. (714) 452-3274  
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DIRECTORY OF MARINE SCIENCE LIBRARIES AND INFORMATION CENTERS - A Progress Report

by Carolyn P. Winn, Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution

The new edition of the Directory is ready to go to press. Proposals to cover the cost of publication have been submitted to the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution Sea Grant Program and the Executive Board of IAMSLIC. The program manager of WHOI Sea Grant has assured us that the program will underwrite 70% of the costs of printing 1000 copies if the Association will provide matching funds to the level of 30% and if we will supply them with 300 copies. These latter copies will be distributed primarily to legislators and planners. Kim Douglas is in the process of presenting the proposal to our executive board. The agreement, if approved, will mean that the money derived from the sale of copies of the Directory will be divided equally between the sponsoring groups. IAMSLIC will be fully reimbursed and WHOI Sea Grant partially reimbursed. The cost per copy will probably be \$3.00.

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IAMSLIC DISPLAYS AT CANADIAN AMERICAN CONFERENCE

The Raymond H. Föglar Library at the University of Maine at Orono presented a conference on Canadian American Librarianship on August 10-13th. IAMSLIC was asked to man a display at the conference as an example of Canadian American Cooperation. Normon Horrocks of Dalhousie University in Nova Scotia was the keynote speaker on "Canadian American Librarianship - What is it?"



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IAMSLIC '81 - 7th Annual Conference, La Jolla, CA, 10 - 13 November 1981

THEME: Accessing Marine Science Information

PROGRAM:

Tuesday, 10 November

3:00 - 5:00 p.m. Meeting of the Maritime Industry and Academy Librarians  
- Elizabeth Fuseler (Convenor)

Evening Welcome Reception

Wednesday, 11 November

8:30 - 8:45 a.m. Welcome

8:45 - 12:00 noon "Non-bibliographic data bases - the why, how and what."  
(A session dealing with why and how librarians should be concerned about non-bibliographic data bases, and what data bases exist within the area of the marine sciences.)

Speakers:

- Barbara Quint, Rand Corporation, and Convenor, Southern California Online Users Group.
- Edward L. Ridley, National Oceanographic Data Center.
- K. Eric Marshall (Convenor), Scientific Information Services and Library, Freshwater Institute, Canada Dept. of Fisheries and Oceans.

12:00 - 1:30 p.m. Lunch

1:30 - 4:30 p.m. "Using your in-house automation facilities - what are IAMSLIC libraries doing?"

Panel Members:

- Norman Howden (Convenor), Louisiana State University.
- Ciulineas Boyle, Canada Dept. of Fisheries and Oceans.
- Janice Meadows, Virginia Institute of Marine Science.
- Betty Sutherland, Bedford Institute of Oceanography.
- Sharon Thomson, Institute of Ocean Sciences

4:30 - 5:00 p.m. Business Meeting No. 1  
- Kimberly Douglas, President

Morning and afternoon coffee breaks "A rare books collection within a special library."  
(Poster session illustrating a collection of old books dealing with fish, fisheries, and angling.)

- Anna Oxley, Scotia/Fundy Regional Librarian, Canada Dept. of Fisheries and Oceans.

Evening (plans uncertain as newsletter goes to press)

Thursday, 12 November

8:30 - 10:15 a.m. "What do they really want? - the library/user interface."  
(A session dealing with library/user relations. Are there significant differences in the way users communicate with their libraries and vice-versa depending on the type of information needed (management, basic research materials, etc.), size of library, etc. The panel consists of representatives of various types and sizes of marine science libraries.)

Panel Members:

- Frances Swim, NOAA
- Judith Brownlow, Northeast Fisheries Center, National Marine Fisheries Service.
- Susan Starr, Scripps Institution of Oceanography.
- Sharon Thomson (Convenor), Institute of Ocean Sciences.

10:15 - 10:45 a.m. Coffee

10:45 - 12:00 noon "Accessing theses."  
 (A session dealing with the problems involved in accessing theses and possible solutions.)  
 Speakers:  
 - Kimberly Douglas (Convenor), Bigelow Laboratory for Ocean Sciences.  
 - S. Tewari, University Microfilms International

12:00 - 1:30 p.m. Lunch  
 Afternoon Tours of Scripps, etc.  
 Evening Banquet and general merry-making

Friday, 13 November

8:30 - 9:30 a.m. Business Meeting No. 2  
 - Kimberly Douglas, President

9:30 - 10:00 a.m. Coffee

10:00 a.m. - Two concurrent workshops. Choose one:  
 4:30 p.m. A) "Stress-free appraisal and employment selection  
 (with breaks for interviews."  
 lunch and coffee (This workshop deals with making selection and evaluation interviews more effective and less stressful for both interviewer and interviewee.)

Workshop Leader  
 - Charlene Paule Smith, Psychological Assistant, Crossmont Psychological Associates, La Mesa, CA, and Assistant Clinical Professor of Medicine (Biomathematics), University of Southern California. For 8 years a librarian, Head of Reserve Book Section, Los Angeles State University Library.



(There will be a special workshop fee of about \$10 levied for this workshop.)

OR



B) "BIOSIS training session."  
 (An in-depth training session on searching the BIOSIS data base for marine science and fisheries literature.)

Workshop Leader  
 - Arthur Elias, Director for Professional Services, BioSciences Information Service.

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As you all know Karin Negoro will be going to Stockholm in the fall having spent the summer in Falmouth, Massachusetts. The Executive Board decided she should be honored for her outstanding editorship and hard work. A small luncheon at the Coonamesett Inn and a gift certificate from FOR ART'S SAKE, seemed appropriate along with our combined best wishes and many thanks.

by Beth Fuseler, U.S. Merchant Marine Academy

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From the editor-in-waiting..  
 Judy Ashmore 617-548-3705 x436  
 Library, Marine Biological Laboratory  
 Woods Hole, MA 02543

Please make a note of the above address. Correspondence and items for inclusion in the next newsletter should be mailed to this Woods Hole address. Our next issue will be post-conference and the deadline for material to be submitted will be December 1. I am looking forward to meeting as many of you as possible in La Jolla.





# TROUBLE FINDING THESES?

We hope to offer some solutions. The 1981 IAMSLIC conference has scheduled a session on accessing theses. To make the program more profitable to the group, I need some information from all of you. Would you please quickly answer the following questions and return the form to me. Your help is appreciated and I hope to see you in San Diego.

*Shirley Douglas*

- 1) Which one best describes your organization: ☐ academic  
☐ private non-profit  
☐ private for profit  
☐ federal  
☐ state

- 2) Are you located in ☐ USA  
☐ Canada  
☐ Other, please name \_\_\_\_\_.

- 3) Is it library policy to regularly and systematically select and purchase  
a. Master's theses? ☐ yes ☐ no.  
b. Doctoral theses? ☐ yes ☐ no.

4. Does the library primarily acquire theses by purchasing them as the need for specific titles arise? ☐ yes ☐ no.

- \*5. Does the library rely primarily on inter-library loans for accessing  
a. Master's theses? ☐ yes ☐ no.  
b. Doctoral theses? ☐ yes ☐ no.

- 6) Does the library select Master's theses by ☐ university  
☐ subject  
☐ both

- " " " " Doctoral theses by ☐ university  
☐ subject  
☐ both

Please add qualifying comments if desired (see question no 8).

- 7) In what format does the library purchase theses? ☐ MF  
☐ PC  
☐ both

- 8) If the library has a written policy regarding selection and purchase of Master's and Doctoral theses, please write it here or attach a copy of it.

- 9) Does your library lend Master's theses produced at your institution? ☐ yes ☐ no.  
" " " " Doctoral theses " " " " ? ☐ yes ☐ no.

- 10) Does the library have a separate lending policy regarding theses held in its collection but not produced by the organization? ☐ yes ☐ no.

If so, what is it?

- 11) Do you use a bibliographic utility for cataloging? ☐ yes ☐ no.  
If so, which one? \_\_\_\_\_.

- 12) Are all Master's theses cataloged on the above utility? ☐ yes ☐ no.  
" " Doctoral theses " " " " ☐ yes ☐ no.

Comments:

- 13) Does your library regularly and systematically acquire theses other than USA produced titles? ☐ yes ☐ no



14) If the library acquires non USA theses, which countries are they from?

_____ France	_____ Canada
_____ Others, please	_____ Great Britain
_____ list.	_____ Germany (West)
_____	_____ Germany (East)
_____	_____ Australia

If the university name is more appropriate, please list;

15) What sources do you use for the above named countries?

16) Does your library have an agreement with University Microfilms for theses selection? \_\_\_\_\_ yes \_\_\_\_\_ no.

\*17) Does your organization or library have an agreement with University Microfilms regarding distribution and availability of theses produced at your organization? \_\_\_\_\_ yes  
\_\_\_\_\_ no  
\_\_\_\_\_ do not know.

If so, briefly what is it?

\*18) If you have any comments regarding selecting, purchasing and borrowing and lending theses please add them here.

19) Since part of the purpose of this survey is to find out more about how specific organizations and libraries are handling theses so that we can all provide a better service to our patrons, I'd appreciate a waiver of your organization's anonymity regarding this survey excepting the \* questions.

I waive anonymity regarding the results of this survey except for questions 5, 17, 18.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

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Organization's Name.

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Kimberly Douglas  
Bigelow Laboratory  
West Boothbay Harbor, ME  
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by Norman Howden, Louisiana State University

A new marine research facility opened recently in Louisiana. LUMCON, Louisiana Universities Marine Consortium, is a new marine research program in Louisiana. Director Don Boesch spoke in late January to LSU researchers detailing the mission and activities of his organization. He explained that the Consortium was established in 1979 under the aegis of the Board of Regents to coordinate research and education facilities for 13 universities and 4 higher education management boards in the marine and coastal zone areas of Louisiana. LUMCON is presently having a site prepared for its future marine research and education center on a 90 acre site south of Cocodrie, Louisiana. When complete, the center will include laboratories, classrooms, dormitories, dining facilities, a 100-seat auditorium, library and boat docks. The Research program includes components that are both basic and applied research with emphasis in the following areas:

BASIC: Biological adaptations to the estuarine environment  
Sedimentation processes (including coastal erosion)  
Characterization of the marine biota of Louisiana  
Coupling of wetlands, estuaries and the continental shelf  
Processes related to secondary production  
Oceanographic processes on the continental shelf

APPLIED: Environmental effects of energy-related industries  
Optimal use of fishery resources  
Fate and effects of toxic and hazardous material  
Habitat management: evaluation, protection, enhancement  
Technology transfers in marine science and industry

By 1983 completed LUMCON facilities are expected to offer dry and wet labs; ready access to swamp, marsh, salt water, and barrier island areas; and use of research vessels suitable for offshore activity.

A library is taking shape in the temporary trailer city LUMCON is now quartered in. Mary Catherine Politz, a graduate of the University of Texas at Austin, will be caring for about 200 periodicals and 200 books now being cataloged and housed at Nichols State.

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The Navy library at the National Space Technology Laboratories (NSTL) in Mississippi is still trying to recover from the Suitland to NSTL move. They are just now in the final stages of unpacking boxes and getting materials in warehouse into an accessible arrangement on shelves.

Consideration of a new 24,000 sq. ft. library has just resumed.

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from the outgoing editor

This will be the last issue of the newsletter under my editorship; indeed, the new editor, Judy Ashmore of the Marine Biological Laboratory Library in Woods Hole, is already co-editing this issue and will carry on as editor with the next. I hope that everyone cooperates fully with Judy to make future issues both interesting and informative. I also hope that participation in IAMSLIC continues to grow, and the organization prospers in its important role of providing a forum for communication among its members.

I will be moving to Sweden in the Fall.

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Last-minute note from the President:

The 1981 Election Slate will be mailed separately in mid-September. Please send any last minute nominations to Wilma Navazio, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, 6009 Executive Blvd., Rockville, MD 20852, telephone 301-443-8272.

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Reminders:

Don't forget to fill out and return the questionnaire  
to Kim Douglas.

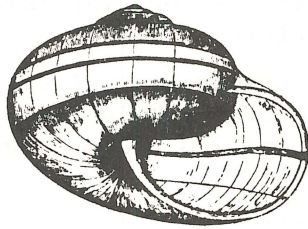
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Buy your ticket to California. CONFERENCE 1981.

November 11, 12, 13

Scripps Institution of Oceanography  
La Jolla, California.

News for the post-conference Newsletter due Dec. 1.



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